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Dominican Republic Situation Report
(As of 1630 p.m. EST)

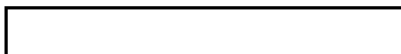
1. At 5:50 p.m. EST today Garcia Godoy announced that all key rebel military leaders except Hector LaChappelle Diaz and regular military leaders including Defense Chief Rivera, army chief Martinez and air force chief de los Santos have been assigned to overseas posts. The decree named navy chief Jimenez as Minister of Defense, and designated other officers for the chiefs' of staff slots.



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3. Garcia Godoy again today indicated his willingness to resign if the military refused to obey his orders.

4. It is possible that neither side expected that Garcia Godoy would actually issue such a sweeping decree at this time and some may see room for bargaining in the situation. The next few hours will be crucial in determining how the various rebels and regular military will react to the decree.



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